

So What's New?



EDITORIALS ---

We're growing a little weary!

Yes, a little tired and weary of the negative approach to so many of our problems expressed by the rampaging, self-appointed sounders of alarm which have sprung up among the 17 to 25 year-old segment of the population.

For instance, the pollution problem is not something new which has been dreamed up by this new breed of Americans. Man has been working on that problem for years and years. Truth of the matter is that pollution has only become so very much worse in the past few years that all mankind has become frightened.

The youngsters have simply latched onto the situation and are using it as an excuse for their antics.

Mount Joy installed sewer lines and a sewage plant ten years or more ago. The young

militants did not cause it to be done or even call attention to its need.

Marietta is doing the same thing. It was not because of agitation or dramatization by the kids.

Bachman Chocolate Mfg. Company several years ago installed a pollution eradicator on its huge chimney. It cost a lot of money but no song-singing, guitar picking gang of kids was responsible, in any way shape or form.

The State of Pennsylvania has for many years been working long and hard to improve the methods used for disposal of trash and refuse. Land fills are almost universal, these days. But not because the young segment of our society was sounding off.

It's completely true that a few days ago youngsters turned out in numbers and did a good job of cleaning up some streams, roadsides, etc. They

turned out in droves and worked like Trojans.

But, don't you believe that the army of workers was made up pretty much of the kind of kids who are not making the noise anyhow?

The song-singers continued to sit and strum and to yell loudly at the establishment about how the adults are running their world.

The truth is that it's the adults' world too and there are some things about it that they are not too happy about.

But, when it is all said and done, it will not be the singers who will do the work and pay the bills—it will be the adults.

● Others are Saying

BOYLE ON KENNEDY

The release of Judge James A. Boyle's conclusions — for some time suppressed while lawyers and others fought out the question whether Edward Kennedy would be prosecuted — is a setback from which the Massachusetts Senator may never completely recover, though it may not deny him the political plums and power he is likely to seek.

In effect, Judge Boyle accused Senator Kennedy of perjury to cover up his conduct the night he drove off the bridge with Mary Jo Kopechne in his car. The most damaging points in Judge Boyle's reasoning were: Kennedy told no one when the couple left that he was retiring to his motel. Miss Kopechne told none of the girls she was going to hers and did not ask her roommate for the only key to their room.

In addition, Miss Kopechne left her pocketbook at the party cottage. In addition, it was known by all that the ferry ceased operation at midnight and when Kennedy took his Oldsmobile that left only a small Valiant for the ten people remaining at the party cottage. On the basis of these points, and others, Judge Boyle concluded that Kennedy and Kopechne did not intend to return to Edgartown when they left the cottage, that Kennedy did not intend to drive to the ferry, and that his now-famous wrong turn was not a wrong turn but intentional.

Further, the Judge pointed out that Kennedy had driven over the bridge road three times earlier that day, and

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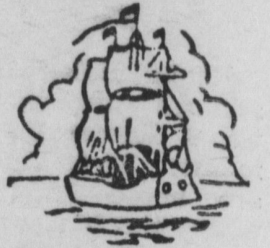
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WASHINGTON REPORT

Congressman Edwin D. Eshleman

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President Nixon's decision —the thing feared most by many Americans, myself included. The fact that the action has very specific limits tied to it tempers the threat of escalation. However, that fact also makes it necessary for the military to operate strictly within the defined restraints because to do otherwise will raise grave doubts about credibility of the present policy in Southeast Asia.

My personal feeling was that the issue needed to be put into proper perspective. It was necessary to strip away the emotionalism and examine the facts about the President's Cambodian decision. That's why I listened attentively to students who counseled me concerning their very forceful and deeply felt viewpoint. That's the reason why I examined the thinking behind the action which the Nixon Administration felt was necessary in Southeast Asia.

The conclusion I reached was that we are not dealing with an escalation of the war

concluded he was familiar with the bridge hazard but did not exercise due care, for some reason not apparent from the testimony.

This, plus the refusal of those concerned to allow an autopsy of the body, plus the high-level decision not to prosecute Kennedy further (he was given a suspended sentence) inevitably raises public doubt about his conduct that night (and his treatment by the courts) which will live with him as long as he is in public office, though only the future will tell how successful he can be in spite of it.

—Ephrata Review

The limited military thrust into Cambodia appears to be an evacuation tactic. The process of withdrawal of American troops from Vietnam can be continued, and perhaps speeded, as a result of this move.

We were aware of the risks involved in allowing the Communists to continue their buildup of men and supplies in "privileged sanctuaries" in Cambodia. The completion of the Vietnamization program, which has been successful in bringing American soldiers home, was jeopardized by that buildup. The evident strategy of the Communists was to await additional troop withdrawals and then launch an all-out strike against our remaining forces and the South Vietnamese population centers.

No thinking American wants an enlargement of the Vietnam war. However, Cambodia has been very much a part of the war for years. Therefore, it must be very much a consideration in any plans to get our men home. President Nixon so considered and decided to act. It was a hard choice, but for policy decisions I believe we must have faith in the man who has a singular responsibility for the lives of our men in combat — the President.

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